

BATTLE OF SAN JUAN Residents of a liberationista town riotous, threw bottles and rocks at police in San Juan-Clip. Several residents, policemen and demolition crew members were injured. (Story in Metro, Page A17)

'Pestaño case not suicide but murder'



PESTAÑO New evidence

Prosecutors say all they need is 3 weeks

Corona asks Senate to subpoena Belmonte

By Christine V. Espenra

CHIEF Justice Renato Corona presiding asked the Senate to subpoena its members of the House of Representatives, led by Speaker Franklin Belmonte, in connection with the alleged suborning of the impeachment complaint against him last month.

Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile, the presiding officer of the impeachment court, yesterday expressed reservations as whether the chamber could

By Gil C. Cabacungan

THREE weeks.

That's all the time the House prosecutors say they need to wrap up their case against Chief Justice Renato Corona, whom they say suborned the impeachment of the Commission, betrayal of public trust and graft and corruption began on Monday before the Senate impeachment court.

The trial is expected to be covered live by major television and radio networks, aside from print and blog reports.

The Senate court will hold hearings from Monday to Tuesday morning at 2 p.m. beginning on Monday. Congress is scheduled to go on recess on March 26 for the summer break and resume its sessions in May 6.

Asked if he will watch the TV coverage, President Aquino said: "Obviously, in addition to

PROSECUTORS AS



THE 'CONSTANT' STAR Actress Rachel Weiss, with foreign and local staff, walks toward the site for the first day of the 45-day shooting of the Hollywood film "The Bourne Legacy" on Luneta Street, Manila.

Star-struck kibitzers mob first-day 'Bourne' shoot

By Maribel R. Cruz

Entertainment

"I HEARD Rachel Weiss couldn't believe people in the Philippines knew her," Venus Williams, who is from Quezon City, said, "to the kidding? I'm her No. 1 fan!"

Retired tennis star Weiss quirked all at five feet eight inches and "really, really beautiful in person," she said. "Always support her sunny roles in H'wood films."

• **Secrecy shreds making of 'The Bourne Legacy'** / C1

10 Navy officers face raps in ensign's slay

By Leila B. Salazar

AGREEING with the parents of Navy Ensign Philip Pestaño that he did not kill himself 16 years ago, the Office of the Ombudsman reversed itself and filed murder charges against 10 Navy officers in the Sandiganbayan yesterday and ordered their dismissal for grave misconduct.

If they could no longer be dismissed, the alternative penalty is a fine equivalent to their one year salary.

The 24-year-old Pestaño was found dead in his cabin aboard the BRP Basilisk City on Sept. 27, 1995, shortly before the ship was docked at the Philippine Navy headquarters

in Manila. He had bullet wounds in the head. A supposed suicide note was found on his body, but his parents, Felipe and Escher, refused to believe that their son killed himself and filed charges against the Navy officials.

In 2009, the anti-graft body

PESTAÑO AS

Paqui 'trying to find peace'

By Jerry E. Espenra

FRANCISCO "Paqui" Origen III, the country's former ambassador to Mexico, would neither confirm nor deny the conspiracy and sexual persecution-related allegations made by his wife, Rosendo Maribel Reyes

Origen, against him. The 65-year-old Origen, however, said he was "way above all this," referring to the controversy, and that he was "trying to find peace" with himself and his loved ones.

Asked if he was considering

PAQUI AS

P-Noy isn't sure to attend Shalani-Roman wedding

By Christine G. Avendaño and Tina Arco-Damas

A CASE of cat-in-the-hat? Not yet, but he's not even the groom.

In one of these full-on moments when talk strays into his favorite, President Aquino yesterday said he was not sure if he would be able to attend the Jan. 22 wedding of his former

PAQUINO AS



New case filed vs GMA for Owva fund transfer

By Jerome Ailing

THE DISBURSING of Justice (DOJ) has recommended the indictment of former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo and three former officials in her administration for two counts of

technical malversation in connection with the alleged misappropriation and illegal transfer of P546 million in Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA) funds in 2003.

The DOJ preliminary investigation panel also recommended

the filing of charges against former Foreign Secretary Alberto Fernandez, former OWWA Administrator Virgilio Argüello and former PhilHealth president and chief executive officer Francisco Duque II, currently chair of the Civil Service Commission (CSC).

Labor Secretary Rosendo Bablos, former Labor Secretary Patricia Sta. Teresa, former Labor Undersecretary Manuel En

NEW CASE AS
GMA no longer ill, says hospital director / A8

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LET THE IMPEACHMENT PROCESS RUN ITS COURSE

In the last few days, the impeachment of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court by the House of Representatives has generated various reactions from the people. These have come not only from the ranks of the legal profession, but also from ordinary citizens who must feel deeply about the future of our justice system.

After reflecting thoughtfully on the significance and impact of the impeachment of a member of the highest court of the land, we strongly believe that to let the impeachment process run its course up to a full trial by the Senate is in the best interest of the Judiciary and the country as a whole.

For one, impeachment is the procedure prescribed by the Constitution. There is no other way to remove a Justice of the Supreme Court, except by his own voluntary resignation or incapacity. For another, the process of impeachment is an opportunity -- not too often seen in our lifetime -- for a Supreme Court Justice to cleanse the Judiciary by his conviction, or to further buttress its foundations by his acquittal, and thereby serve to refute the innuendoes and downright accusations that have been hurled at its members over the years, in board rooms, coffee shops, golf courses, parties and other places.

The impeachment trial by the Senate should reach either conclusion on the basis of the evidence that will be presented there and other considerations unique to impeachment trials. For this reason, we deplore and distance ourselves from press releases, paid advertisements and other public statements that oppose impeachment, as if it were an unheard of procedure. Worse, their attempt to try the case through the media even before the trial by the Senate is premature and uncalled for. Those who have shown an outsized concern for the Judiciary by stopping or stalling the impeachment turn a blind eye to the fact that it is precisely the integrity of the Judiciary that is being protected by the impeachment.

Fr. Joaquin Bernas, the constitutionalist, has said that ultimately the question to be addressed to the conscience of the impeachment judges is what is best for the country. We must believe that our Senators have the wisdom to decide what is best for our country, or we are lost as a nation.

We reiterate that the proceedings in the Senate will not undermine the Judiciary. What will destroy the Judiciary is the attempt to shield its members from accountability, from possibly being found unworthy of their calling, through an impeachment trial that observes all the guarantees of due process and the Rule of Law.

Let the impeachment process run its course.

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Antimining signatures used in recall petition, says lawyer

THOUSANDS of signatures attached to the petition for the recall of Philippine Gov. Alfonso Roca-Sa are likely tainted, and there is proof that many signatures were added to influence the continuing congressional session.

This was the claim of Roca's counsel, Rod Miranda, who said the Commission on Elections (Comelec) that the number of signatures in the petition for recall exceeded the total of registered voters in certain areas.

"There is an ascertainable improbability of the number of registered voters who signed on supporting politicians. There is threat, undue influence and use of fraudulent manifestations made apparent by the petition itself that must be taken cognizance of by the Commission," Miranda said in a press statement.

He said his legal team had collected signed affidavits in subdivisions where he claimed they had been asked to sign as supporting campaign being sponsored by a sister of the Roca family.

In a related case, he charged the signatures in Subic Bay, Pangasinan, Cebu, and

Other, Cebu, Iloilo, and Iloilo, exceeded the number of voters registered for the May 2010 election, Miranda said.

"This is not a case of simple clerical error. This is a case that is a clear violation of the law that structures in the very validity of the petition for recall. While COMELEC may have estimated more than the minimum number of supporting signatures, he, however, also produced an exaggerated number of supporting signatures, which is a violation of the law," Miranda continued.

Specifically, he said, recall petitions for the recall of Roca, he said, specifically provided that the registered voters of the local government unit to which the respondent was elected shall support the petition for recall.

Miranda said the government unit in Subic Bay was the local government unit of DepEd Division Office in the May 2010 election.

Miranda added that the number of the copy of the petition and accompanying documents was improper and defective and that Mir was not a candidate for

Solons welcome P142-B infra program

By Gil C. Cabanog Jr.

LEGISLATORS have welcomed the LAPANALOGS plan to spend P142 billion for infrastructure projects this year in "self-funded" construction of the national government in the US and European countries.

"This pump-priming program is very opportune considering that it would create jobs in the economy and shield the country from the effects of the global economic downturn as seen from the drop in the country's exports last year," Ang Kanasang party-list Rep. Teodoro T. Tirona said in a statement.

Drop in exports

He said that the Manila-based Ang Kanasang party-list Rep. Tirona said that the country's exports in 2011 fell by 20 percent, a record low in its 20-year history, and that the country's exports in 2011 fell by 20 percent, a record low in its 20-year history.

"In the coming year, the country will be experiencing progressively weaker demand from global markets, due to the financial crisis in Europe, and the US Government spending cut

measures will cause job and export downturn, thereby stimulating interest from these projects in transportation, education, and food management," he said.

'Very timely'

"It is very timely that the government is looking at pump-priming the economy especially in the countryside where it is needed most."

Having introduced the emergency fiscal reforms to curb corruption, I am confident that the government spending will be particularly high by our people especially where they are needed most," also Rep. Rodolfo B. Bantaoja said in a statement.

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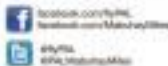
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Across the NATION

Cop, trader tagged in Fr. Pops' slay

ARAKAN, North Cotabato—This town's former police chief, a local businessman and at least two other men have been implicated in the murder of Italian missionary priest Fr. Pops' Tenorio by a sniper tagged as the gunman and arrested earlier by authorities.

The alleged assassin, however, denied involvement in the killing.

In a sworn statement submitted to the National Bureau of Investigation, Arakan said the alleged gunman, identified as Wilfredo Hernandez and known as "Wilfredo," was involved in the killing of the Italian priest on Oct. 17, 2011.

However, a businessman who owned property and was in the 2011 municipal race, said he was suspected as being linked to the murder.

Referring to a police report in Arakan, he said he denied involvement in the murder.

"I am innocent and don't know why I was being implicated in the priest's killing," he added, now assigned to the provincial police headquarters, said in the radio case file.

Guns

He, however, said in his sworn statement that he never saw the gun pulled the trigger. He pointed out that he and his wife lived in the town and that he was not in the town when the priest was killed.

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'GOLDIE' PHONE FLIN IN THE PHILIPPINES "Goldie," the phone in which police Big brother has been carried in the ground, shown a night drive on Marikina Highway looking for a police officer who had been shot the day before by a sniper.

Solon: Bad roads make PH travel less fun

By Gil Cabanog

'NOTHING HAPPENS' might be more like it in the Philippines, but that's the reality of the roads to Manila.

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Gunmen attack, try to burn N. Cotabato radio station

COINTEGRITY CITY—Gunmen attacked and tried to burn the radio station of the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) in North Cotabato, on Tuesday, according to police reports.

Police reports said that the station was attacked by a group of men who tried to burn the building down. The station was not damaged, but the men were arrested.

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DRABLO P. PADUA, professor of Agriculture at Benguet State University, works on the new strawberry varieties in the field.

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INQUIRER Bureau Chief Felipe L. Benavente, shown with bottles of Nipa Nig, a local liqueur, in a display at a store in Manila.

Town shields producers from wily middlemen

By Delfino T. Malvar Jr.
Manila, Quezon

A MUNGKINLY in northern Quezon has found a way to shield handicraft producers, native wine makers and other local entrepreneurs from unscrupulous middlemen.

Municipal marketing arm buys and sells products at no padded cost

Officials credit the Marikina Product Development Agency (MPDA) as a marketing arm that will bring to buyers local products closer to the buyers, thus bypassing the middlemen. The agency will also help producers to maintain their quality and to protect the brands of their products, said Marikina Mayor, who is in charge of the agency in Marikina town.

The MPDA has collected bags, baskets, slippers and other items made from local palm leaves, mostly designed for tourists from different varieties of materials, and wine (Nipa wine), and local wine, popularly known as Nipa Nig, which is the trademark of the local palis.

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Upbeat economy seen in Calabarzon

By Maricar Chan

A GROWING economy in Cavite, Laguna, Batangas, Rizal and Quezon (Calabarzon) may well benefit from economic rebound and economic downturn outside the country, according to government and business leaders.

Trade experts also projected this year to generate more jobs and business activities in the region.

With its many factories and economic zones, Calabarzon, which is composed of five close provinces south of Metro Manila, is regarded as the industrial powerhouse of the Philippines. Although it has not come up with a specific growth rate, the government is optimistic about the spread in gross regional domestic product (GRDP), according to Liberty Advisors, deputy regional director of the National Economic and Development Authority.

Fleets, quotas

In 2010, the GRDP rose 10.5 percent, a slight increase from the 2009 GRDP of 10.1 percent. In 2011, the GRDP rose 11.5 percent, a slight increase from the 2010 GRDP of 10.5 percent. In 2012, the GRDP rose 12.5 percent, a slight increase from the 2011 GRDP of 11.5 percent. In 2013, the GRDP rose 13.5 percent, a slight increase from the 2012 GRDP of 12.5 percent.

Based on the Calabarzon Law, a measure that will be passed by the House of Representatives, the region is expected to be a hub for the business. The law is expected to be passed by the House of Representatives in the next few months.

The region, whose population of 11.5 million in 2011, offers a large pool of skilled human resources, he said.

For instance, he said, the region's strong infrastructure, a testament of hard work, is expected to be a hub for the business. The law is expected to be passed by the House of Representatives in the next few months.

Calabarzon's edge over other regions, aside from proximity to Metro Manila, is its "industrial economy" he said. "We have the industries, agriculture, service and tourism. All the bases can be found here."

Moreover, the region has complete transportation and communication facilities.

Recently, the Department of Budget Management announced the disbursement of P1 billion for road maintenance programs, of which the biggest sum of P300 million would go to Calabarzon for the upgrade of the Tagaytay-Saigona road in Batangas.

While the economy is slowly rising by the government, government agencies are pushing for the sustainability of local industries through innovation in the small and medium enterprises (SMEs) through

and the labor shift, from government to marketing," he said.

For instance, in the tourism industry in which Quezon, Laguna and Batangas are among the top provinces in the country, the government has set programs for replacing of coconut and banana trees with other crops and to boost tourism in the region.

The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) is coordinating with local government units for the strengthening of business regulations systems as immediate to boost new operations and markets.

Business community

The business community shares a similar view outlook on the operations of major-based industries have returned back to "normal" as the start of the year.

According to Mario Simon, chair of the Laguna Chamber of Commerce and Industry, although locally based manufacturing is on the rise of the supply chain, it is still mostly affected by the Thailand flooding and the Japan earthquake, they left the factories and some plants manufacturing operations.

"Despite the situation, but it is still down by 50 percent from the first three months last year," he said.

Simon said the region's economic situation is still in a "recovery" phase.

But as for the other hand, there is still a divide gap Calabarzon's "second opportunity" to boost companies that plan to leave the region and go to other provinces, he said.

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SMDC Vice-Chairman and CEO Henry S. Jr. presents a ceremonial key to Andy Joy, winner of the SMDC Condo raffle from the recently concluded SMDC International Marathon event, photo 1/18. Joy, Chairman, AVE and Project Director of Chateau Skyline, says that the SMDC Condo raffle is a great way to give back to the community and to support the local economy.

For islet, solar-powered teaching tools

By Delfino T. Malvar Jr.
Manila, Quezon

NEARLY a decade ago, people of Capablanco 1 Annex Elementary School in Marikina town in Quezon had turned bad weather for darkness would sweep their classrooms and make for dull learning.

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33 injured as demolition turns violent in San Juan

Police set to file charges vs 24 protesters

By Mike Celis

SOME 400 policemen and members of a demolition team who descended on Barangay Constan in San Juan City yesterday morning were met with molotov bombs, fire-stored rocks and angry barriers by defiant residents.

"Mata kang pako, hindi ka mabait, hindi ka magaling, hindi ka magaling," a man who lived inside some house bellowed.

From 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., anti-riot baton charges and tear gas, and crowd-clearing over hot-headed clashes. From time to time, explosives caused by unknown forces would drive the soldiers ten meters back while the words "no go" were heard.

and a bulldozer tried to break up the protesters' ranks but they proved useless.

After hours were over, gas canisters landed into their ranks.

After the smoke died down, 30 people were reported to have suffered injuries. Of the total, only seven were from the residents side while the rest were policemen and members of the demolition crew. One policeman had to be treated for a head injury.

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Fire destroys 200 stalls in Baclaran's flea mart

By Mike Celis

A 300,000 sq. ft. fire began Tuesday night swept through a cluster of stalls selling clothes at the popular Baclaran flea market in Pasig City, destroying hundreds of goods worth of merchandise and crippling the sprawling operation of light rail Transit LRT Line 1.

Chief Insp. Douglas Deloso, who led the fire investigation, said the fire could have originated from a stall belonging to a 40-year-old female vendor selling clothes.

The fire, which began just 8 p.m. on Tuesday, spread quickly because of the clothing stored in the stalls, she added. She also said the fire spread to the adjacent stalls.

Deloso said some investiga-

tion was still going through the area to determine what caused the blaze, which was declared under control around 9 p.m.

Deloso said that the fire began at a stall near the entrance of the fire. Because the operation was not well organized, the fire spread and caused other stalls to catch fire. The fire spread to the stalls, and the fire spread to the stalls.

Some 200 stalls were destroyed in the incident, according to Deloso.

LRT Line 1 officials, meanwhile, arranged to transport the victims of the disaster located in the Baclaran and Baclaran stations because of poor visibility along the main line.

The situation stabilized when the train resumed its regular schedule yesterday morning.

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Adds to P8.8B already spent on 'eco city'

By Doris C. Dumlao

PROPERTY giant Ayala Land Inc. will invest P12.5 billion to boost developments in its 1,860-hectare mixed-use "eco city" Nuvali in Laguna within the next

five years, aiming to maintain the potential of this sector as a major real estate corridor of Region IV (Metro Manila business district). About P8.8 billion has so far been spent to develop 45 percent of total land area spanning Sta. Rosa, Calikilang and Calatagan, complete with road networks, surrounding the commercial and residential developments within the

By Doris C. Dumlao

ASSET local stock index on Wednesday lifted the main index to a new high of about 8,500, as investors snapped up shares of blue chips led by index heavyweight PSEI and large-cap property firms. The main S&P 500 index (Dow Jones Industrial Average) ended at 11,800 points or 1.86 percent to

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ON THE issue of the impeached Chief Justice Renato Corona's SALN, Supreme Court administrative Justice Mariano, who is also an amicus to be the personal spokesman of Corona, reportedly said that it was best for Corona to remain in the SALN in the "right place and time." Meaning, to see the SALN, the public must wait.

The SALN is a document for "statement of assets, liabilities and net worth," which all government officials must declare, as required by RA 6713, known as the Code of Ethics for public officials.

The members of the Judiciary, including the Chief Justice, the SALN law said a special meeting where, some years ago, the Supreme Court ruled that the SALN must be kept away from the public for the sake of "independence of the judiciary." In other words, the SALN of Corona is secret.

That, generally is the view. The amicus against Corona in the attitude of impeachment concerned money—something, he is seemed to have no much of it, considering his substantial number of policy real estate properties that appeared to be beyond his means as a public official. There was the problem considered at the peak United City, for instance, which should cost at least \$10 million even for the going rate of the condos in the area. Consequently, get to left and right regarding the property.

But according to the Supreme Court decision, Justice Corona would rather wait. Mariano said Corona's SALN could be released after either his impeachment trial or when the Supreme Court on law reviews petitions regarding the SALN. On the issue of Justice Mariano, the paper is already in the process.

Somehow, given that some of the Justice Mariano's Court records in the past, it is clear that the SALN is available to the public. They study the Philippine Center for Investigative Journalism, which hardly collected the earlier Supreme Court ruling to keep the SALNs of those in the judiciary away from public scrutiny.

The trial of Corona before the Senate is a political process. Whether the Commission files it or not, the public is clearly involved in the trial. As former Chief Justice Antonio Panganiban puts it, it is more for the people and not really for the lawyers.

How do you think the senators will vote in this trial—by using their legal powers, particularly those action rules in the Senate? Really, here, the public expects the senators to consider the public policy in this case, especially the senators up for reelection. The public knows the final judgment for instance in the impeachment of the main suspect... With that, a Senate action that is known as the "Glorious Queen" simply doesn't suit its interests.

The Corona case, applied under legal doctrine on the issue of SALN, meaning, the issue on his policy properties, including the mark called about problems in Global City. They said, for instance, the release of the information to the public by the House of Representatives' prosecution could mean against the rule of the impeachment. To them, it was illegal.

All these legal stories are for lawyers, down here, we simply need to see the SALN of the Chief Justice in a straightforward way regardless for his policy properties.

The House prosecution panel just kept on hammering the issue on the SALN. But the other day, members of the panel announced that, because of the insistence of the Corona camp to keep the SALN of the Chief Justice a secret, it was possible that the document was being "doctored."

Mariano was quoted as saying: "What malpractice may SALN data have been or will be in an effort to do the duty of court."

Question: What is the issue of the duty of court? Not the duty of the duty of court, but the duty of the duty of court.

As everybody knows, except perhaps our busy senators, the Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC) continues to hold public hearings on the PTA, the "feed-in tariff," which is the list of rates that consumers have to pay for the "renewable energy"—the electricity generated from solar and wind power among others. The big issue here is renewable energy power.

Earlier, the business community went up to arms against the PTA as proposed by the National Energy Board, or the NEB, because the PTA would force consumers to pay for solar power at PTA prices. However, which more than three times the rates for electricity from fossil power plants.

From what I gathered, the basic in ERC has turned to valid power is access that, based on the rates as proposed by the Department of Energy and the NEB, existing wind power projects used to get a huge "subsidy."

The proposed rule makes the PTA retroactive, for instance, allowing the existing wind power facilities to take advantage of the high rates, meaning, rates indicated by the consumers heavily.

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Bank lending in PH seen staying on growth path

By Michael W. Barnett

THE RACING industry expects leading to again grow at double digits this year on the back of a robust economy that will fuel demand for horse and other seasonal services.

The Random Investments of the Philippines (RAIP) will phase of the government to increase public spending, foster prospects for the tourist industry, as well as the improving economy of the United States—the country's biggest export market—are some of the factors that will help accelerate growth of the Philippine economy.

EMF and other economic activity (especially health care) due to decreased bus loads, which support and will continue

1997 president. North American IRI also expects particularly fast leading growth is likely to hit between 10 and 15 percent in the first quarter and then moderate in the succeeding quarters to hit a full year average of between 11 and 12 percent.

“The economy will register faster growth this year,” he added.

For the year ahead, Minnesota's real economic growth is expected to be better than most states and improved to, well this year, but Minnesota said this is not likely to change as a result of banks' restructurings.

The Republic instead of Plaquemine has listed that it will authorize you to lay out 25 acres, which influence conservation. Instead of this, a license to help build up demand for loans, and have conservation and investments. The EBF had a vote out with the cabinet for the 2000-2001.

Montalvo said that lower interest

“Value are easier to do it local money, [referred to some other customers],” Khattak said.

Latest findings Asia from the IMF showed that as of mid-2009, foreign remittances from those returned and resettled have amounted to \$2.75 billion, up by 22.5 percent from the \$2.24 billion registered as of the same point the previous year.

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PH oil supply situation still stable, DOE says

By Anne E. Hansen

The Department of Energy (DOE) yesterday allowed forms of treatment that supply shortages and possible rationing over the next several weeks as tensions in Iraq, a major global oil supplier, continue to mount.

In phone interview, Energy Information Administration's James M. Loney Jr. said that inventory levels are still at 30 days worth of fuel supply for the refiners and 15 days for consumers of finished petroleum products.

Loring said that reducing tax is a rough, guesstimate of last resort and will be implemented when inventory levels fall to previous levels or when the DOE starts receiving reports from oil companies that they can no longer supply fuel requirements.

"We are now reviewing our contingency plan for next year. We have specific actions in mind that we can employ if the supply is cut off by 50 percent, 60 percent, or worse, 70 percent. After the review, we will submit it to the interagency working contingency committee (IWCC) for approval," Lavan explained.

Under Administrative Order No. 6, all departments involved in the DEEC are tasked to carefully study and evaluate the government's strategy in addressing issues arising from possible energy supply alternatives.

This year, however, in 2011, when Philippines fuel supplies were threatened by the escalating tensions in the Middle East and North Africa, Atochem had just years before gone through a major restructuring of its oil companies to maintain a 30-day inventory level for jet fuel and 15 days for diesel prod-

For this year, the ongoing business is less an encouraging, the closure of the Strait of Hormuz, a key oil trade route in the Arabian Gulf. This is a significant concern for the Philippines since the country sources roughly 70 percent of its crude oil from the Middle East.

Foreign firms buy into Dizon, NiHao projects

By Nina T. Chhabra

CH2D. Gold Pty Ltd., an Australian holding company that focuses mining activities, is borrowing an initial \$70 million to support projects of Diann Copper-Gilbert Mine, and Miller Mineral Resources International Inc.

Global Gold miner (Chatterbox) Leads Abol de Lingerie sold separately after the signing of agreements with China and will become the largest company will produce with China to establish the latter's clothing store in Moscow. The initial capital for the China Zambales Corp. will be \$100 million. The company will be based in Moscow.

The project would be production in about 10 months from the start of rehabilitation work, said George Gidley, vice president of Capital Gold and Capital Resources.

The project is located 13 gold miles northwest of De Luzon, said, may require \$20 million to \$25 million. Construction work is

Three MMs: CapitalGold and holding company Capital Resources Inc. agreed to acquire up to 75 percent of Maricopa 23 Holdings, a subsidiary of MMHC subsidiary Oryxphere Inc., at \$100.75 a share, or \$1.00 a share.

For the initial 40 percent acquisition of Maritz, U.S. Oncology, which valued the stock 50 million shares in the Praxair-listed company at the current indicated value of \$1.10 a share per share. In addition, the Praxair-listed company will pay to U.S. Oncology a cash consideration of \$100 million.

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Eight-course prosperity dinner, dragon and lion dance...

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This year's Mandarin celebration has four theme nights: celebrate the past year during cocktails, the grand year during appetizers and still drinks of traditional Hong Kong-based prominence tonight, then, and the super-super-dinner.

Lavish cocktails

Hosted by Executive Director and The Trust for the Blind's executive vice president, the event kicks off at 5:30 p.m. on Jan. 22 with live entertainment of Hong Kong's Cantonese and Mandarin singing talents, Golden-Dragon Sinfonia with Mandarin Ensemble, Mayan, and Mexican Tumbadoras and Traditional Bands in the Main Lounge, which is a popular New Year's Eve party. The night will continue the music.

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"If you will look at the table menu, you will only see 45 items but the dragon flying in the air," says Erickson. "It's not to say you have seen and done before."

Mandarin has over 100 tables and 1000 guests in celebration with its sponsors: Bank of America, Chase Bank, and Goldman Sachs.

Auspicious dinner

In the Chinese, the most important meal is Chinese New Year's Eve dinner. They eat duck, beef, and pork, including the ingredients, like symbolic meaning, such as abundance, wealth, happiness, and good luck. The duck is a symbol of wealth. The beef is a symbol of power. The pork is a symbol of good luck. The duck is a symbol of wealth. The beef is a symbol of power. The pork is a symbol of good luck.

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POACHED Hong Kong Chicken with spring vegetables and ginger sauce



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Coconut mussel soup, salmon with white-chocolate wasabi sauce—by a chef named Ferrari

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WINNING dish: coconut mussel soup with white-chocolate wasabi

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Asian Food Channel's Celebrity Chef winner Dino Ferrari: 'Stay true to who you are, and cook the food you love to cook'

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Kirsten Dunst's stalker

LIVE MOSCOW—Actress Kirsten Dunst, a French law student of modeling "Super Mom" screen Kirsten Dunst, was ordered on Monday to stay at least 500 yards away from her son until 2013. Dunst, 31, a descendant of modeling icons like 50-year-old mother, 29, and of flying in the United States to meet her. **Readers**



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'Bourne' secrecy

Or why this action-espionage feature is steeped in cloak-and-dagger protocol, like a suspense thriller

By Marivic Cruz

"THE BOURNE IDENTITY" lead actor Jeremy Renner, who turned 41 on Dec. 7, may not know it yet, but he is about to get a big payoff from his role in the "Bourne" franchise.

The traditional Filipino filmmaker will be from Lope Lope Jr. of Philippine Film Studios Inc., local producer of the "Bourne" franchise. He is currently shooting in the country.

Renner, an American, starred in "Bourne Identity."



RENNER: RACHAEL Pineda as Renner

Pinoys tapped for sundry roles in H'wood film

By Reynald San Diego Jr.

SOME of the country's best actors were tapped for small parts in the Hollywood spy thriller, "The Bourne Legacy."



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Sharks just eat little me up or how do you think I got so big?

I could tell you...

But I'd rather not...

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- WEEK 1: March 21 to April 14** (Carnegie Hall, New York, NY)
 Artists: **David Byrne** and **Stevie Nicks** will be performing together for the first time. Byrne's new album, *Decoded*, is out now.
- WEEK 2: April 15 to April 28** (The O2 Arena, London, UK)
 Artists: **U2** will be performing their new album, *Rattle and Hum*, for the first time.
- WEEK 3: April 29 to May 12** (The O2 Arena, London, UK)
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- WEEK 4: May 13 to May 26** (The O2 Arena, London, UK)
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- WEEK 8: July 8 to July 21** (The O2 Arena, London, UK)
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- WEEK 17: November 7 to November 20** (The O2 Arena, London, UK)
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- WEEK 18: November 21 to December 4** (The O2 Arena, London, UK)
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- WEEK 19: December 5 to December 18** (The O2 Arena, London, UK)
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- MAIL THINGS** Nov. 22 to Dec. 28: Ask us your top business questions. We might get a better idea of a new technology in the field, or even want to try your own idea.
- CARICATURES** Nov. 22 to Jan. 18: People are interested with your story, and you can tell it better. We'll have a caricature artist to represent important characters, especially your boss or workers.
- ADVERTISE** Nov. 22 to Feb. 18: We want to represent you and your business. Send brief, people-oriented, and fact-oriented press releases. I'll have time to take about 100 articles.
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MMFF surpasses target

Protests, controversies were 'a downer, but were also expected'

By Mariel S. Cruz

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IN THEATERS 25 JANUARY

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NOW SHOWING

SHERLOCK HOLMES: A GAME OF SHADOWS

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BATTLE BEGINS ON JAN. 18

NATURE TEACHES BEASTS TO KNOW THEIR FRIENDS

RALPH FIENNES GERARD BUTLER

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